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TELEGRAMS.

HOME RULE.

GOVERNMENT PROPOSALS.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, Received Nov. 17.
The Times states that within the next few days the Government will communicate to Mr. Bonar Law its proposals dealing with Ulster. The Times forecasts that these will consist of the exclusion of Ulster for a definite term of years, without any option at the conclusion thereof; also an additional burden upon the English tax-payers to compensate Nationalist Ireland for the temporary loss of the wealth of Ulster.

"Arrant Moonshine and Nonsense."
London, Received Nov. 18.
Mr. John Redmond, speaking at Northampton, said the Home Rule Bill would be law in a few months, and he believed Ulster would make the best of it. The talk of civil war was arrant moonshine and nonsense. The Liberals and Nationalists welcomed a settlement by consent, but they were not going, in the moment of victory, to sacrifice the fruits of their long battle.

INTERESTING ENGAGEMENT.

LORD ELGIN TO MARRY AGAIN.

London, Received Nov. 17.
The engagement is announced of the Earl of Elgin, a former Viceroy of India, to the widow of Captain Ogilvy, R.N. Mrs. Ogilvy is a daughter of Commander Sherbrooke, of Upton Hall, Norfolk, who was formerly in the Royal Navy.

[The Earl of Elgin was previously married to Constance, daughter of the 9th Earl of Southesk, who died in 1909.]

UNHAPPY MARRIAGE.

ROYAL COUPLE DISAGREE.

London, Received Nov. 17.
Reuter's correspondent at Stockholm says it is semi-officially stated that the Princess Marie (formerly the Russian Grand Duchess Maria Pavlovna), who is now in Paris, has announced her intention not to return to her husband, Prince William. Efforts to induce the Princess to reconsider her decision were unavailing.

The newspapers state that Prince William is starting on a hunting expedition in Africa.

OBITUARY.

MR. MONTAGUE CRACKENTHORPE.

London, Received Nov. 18.
The death has taken place of Mr. Montague Hughes Crackenthorpe, K.C.

[Deceased was President of the Eugenics Education Society and was a well-known writer, in the reviews, on legal, social and political matters.]

SAFE IN PORT.

London, Received Nov. 17.
The Pannonia and the Balmes have arrived at Bermuda. The fire on board the latter has been extinguished.

TELEGRAMS.

STRIKE IN NATAL.

A SERIOUS SITUATION.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, Received Nov. 18.
Reuter's correspondent at Durban states that a strike of Indians, in sympathy with the passive resistance to the South African Immigration Act, is becoming general throughout Natal.

Burning Sugar Canes.
The strike is most serious on the sugar plantations, where the strikers are attempting to terrorize the whites and are burning the sugar canes. In one instance 150 acres were destroyed while Indians stood by and cheered.

LARKIN'S TIRADE.

A WILD SPEECH.

London, Received Nov. 17.
Larkin, the Dublin strike leader, was accorded a tremendous reception at Manchester in the Free Trade Hall, to which thousands were unable to gain admission. He denied that he had threatened a general strike in England, repudiated the idea that he was dictating to "those wiseacres, the English Trade Union leaders," and said it was for his hearers to do that. He appealed to them not to handle Dublin goods.

The speech was largely a tirade of abuse of "the cowardly and bloodthirsty Liberal Government."

ESPIONAGE CASE.

FRENCH OFFICER ARRESTED.

London, Received Nov. 18.
A French officer, Captain Languier, attached to the French Ministry of War, has been arrested at Geneva and charged with espionage on behalf of France to the detriment of Switzerland, Italy and Germany.

A later message states that the affair is connected with the recent arrest in Rome of a man named Menozzi and an Italian cavalry sergeant, who are alleged to have been acting on behalf of an International Espionage Bureau with headquarters at Geneva.

BITTEN BY MAD DOG.

GERMAN CONSUL'S EXPERIENCE.

London, Received Nov. 18.
The German Consul General Herr Winkel, a member of the Commission of Control, has been bitten by a mad dog and has gone to the Pasteur Institute, Naples, for treatment.

THE CABINET.

FURTHER MEETINGS.

London, Received Nov. 18.
A further series of Cabinet meetings is being held this week.

TELEGRAMS.

THE ROYAL VISIT.

EARL GREY JOINS PARTY.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, Received Nov. 18.
Earl Grey goes to Windsor Castle to-night (Monday). He is to stay a few days during the visit of the Archduke Franz Ferdinand and his wife.

[This is the first visit of the Duchess of Hohenberg, Archduke Franz Ferdinand's wife, to England. The visit originated, according to the "Daily News and Leader" correspondent in Vienna, in an invitation, which the Duke of Portland made when visiting the Archduke at his Bohemian estate at Konopisch, and which Franz Ferdinand accepted.]

King George, on learning of the Archduke's intended visit, at once addressed an invitation to him to be his guest at Windsor during part of his stay in England. During his stay at the Castle his Imperial Highness will take part in several shoots. After his visit to Windsor the Archduke and his wife will, it is stated, pay a visit to the Duke and Duchess of Portland at Welbeck Abbey. The Archduke is the nephew of the aged Emperor Francis Joseph, and is in his fiftieth year. His wife was formerly Countess Sophie Chotek, a lady-in-waiting in the household of the Archduchess Isabella. There were weighty State protests against this marriage, which, however, took place in 1900 with the Emperor's consent and the blessings of the majority of Austrians and Hungarians. Afterwards the Emperor conferred on the countess the title of Duchess of Hohenberg. Her husband, on his marriage, had to renounce all claims of his wife or children on the House of Habsburg. The Archduke is a devoted husband, and his wife, says the "Mail," has smoothed over the difficulties at the Austrian Court inseparably from the circumstances of her marriage. Her intellectual gifts are brilliant, and she possesses a wonderful voice. Only a year after her marriage the Kaiser paid a high compliment to the Duchess by sending his eldest son to take luncheon with her, and he has allowed his brother-in-law to receive her as if she were an Archduchess. She has two sons. The Archduke is one of the richest men in the world, and, with years creeping on the Emperor, who is now eighty-three, he is coming into prominence as the future Sovereign. He is already practically the Austrian War Lord, for last August the Emperor invested him with the office of Inspector-General of the Austro-Hungarian Army and Navy.

MISSING GOLD.

FORTY BOXES STOLEN.

London, Received Nov. 18.
Reuter's correspondent at Paris states that forty boxes of gold have been stolen en route to the Ottoman Bank in Paris from the Ottoman Bank in Constantinople. The contents are valued at 5,000,000 francs.

ALBANIAN COMMISSIONER DEAD.

London, Received Nov. 18.
The Austrian Consul General Herr Bilinski, a member of the Albanian Delimitation Commission, has died at Valona.

Trespassing
At the Police Court, this morning, three men were fined 85 each for trespassing on Government ground at Mount Kellett, and cutting trees.

TELEGRAMS.

BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

THE ERA OF FRIENDSHIP.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, Received Nov. 18.
A French Squadron of sixteen war vessels will be at the Piræus on the 30th inst., where it meets the British Fleet.

The French newspapers emphasize the political importance of this naval demonstration as showing the strength and closeness of the Entente Cordiale. M. Daudin, the Minister of Marine, interviewed by the "Matin," says the moment is propitious for displaying the French flag in the Eastern Mediterranean, where France has enjoyed faithful friendships which have borne the test of time. The recent visit of the French Fleet to Egypt was a fresh mark of Franco-British friendship and the courteous and spontaneous welcome by the British and Greek Colonies had produced the happiest impression on the French officers and crew.

HONGKONG AND WIRELESS.

(Continued from Page 4.)

At the present time, with the prevailing shortage of tonnage and the abundance of freight waiting to be moved, every hour of a steamship's time represents a fixed sum in her earning capacity and the time thus wasted, not to mention the additional anxiety of her commander in desiring to push on, yet uncertainty of the location of the storm once he has left port, must be enough, in the case of the vessel, to cover the cost of wireless telegraphy for half the fleet.

Nor is it in the typhoon season alone that the apparatus would demonstrate its value. Since the consumption of coal varies as the cube of the speed, an enormous wastage of fuel must annually occur through a vessel pushing on against a strong monsoon and high head sea to reach her destination, only to find, on her arrival, that the berth was not ready for her owing to circumstances that had arisen after her departure from port, and that she might have proceeded under easy steam to time her arrival in such a manner as to fit in with the arrangements made for her loading. Similarly, many a vessel has come up the coast at her ordinary speed and missed a tide, with the consequence that she has lost a valuable charter, or half a day on her loading berth, through being out of communication with her office. Such vessels, in touch by wireless telegraphy, could have been hastened or retarded to suit the special circumstances of each case, to the saving of time and money since up to the present, the vessel which had once left a China port for Shanghai was practically lost to her agents until her arrival so far as the possibility of communicating with her was concerned.

The establishment of ship-stations, however, can be of little use unless communication can be obtained with the shore and it is unthinkable that such an important port as Hongkong should be content for more than two years to depend upon the kind offices of a ship in the harbour or a more distant station to pick up and transmit messages intended for merchants or shipowners in the port.

In Hongkong more than elsewhere the need of a powerful wireless station exists since it is the first port after the long and, to those responsible for the safety of ships at sea, anxious journey from Singapore when, in the typhoon season, no land is sighted from one port to the other and there exists no possibility of learning, except by wireless, of

TELEGRAMS.

MEXICAN AFFAIRS.

SIGNIFICANT RESIGNATION.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, Received Nov. 17.
Senhor Aldape, the Mexican Minister of the Interior, who has been urging President Huerta to yield to the United States, has now resigned.

A Waiting Policy.

London, Received Nov. 18.
The United States has decided to wait a few days and see the effect of foreign pressure on Huerta before taking any decisive step.

The weather conditions in the seas the vessel is approaching. Such was the case with a German vessel some time ago which, anxious about the weather and unable to get into communication with a vessel in Hongkong harbour, was obliged to apply to Tsingtau, right across the mainland of China, to learn the latest meteorological forecast. Hardly a deep sea vessel of any pretensions now visits the port that is not equipped with wireless, yet, unless they can over-reach Hongkong and get into touch with more Northern ports, their equipment is useless until Hongkong is passed.

That Hongkong should not have been the first to establish a powerful station is sufficiently regrettable from the British point of view, but that she should still lag behind when small and unimportant ports are fitted with efficient stations is somewhat disturbing to the minds of those who would look upon the Colony as something more than a mere naval base on the coast of China.

COMPANY MEETING.

(Continued from Page 5.)

It will in the first place be evident to you that the amount of \$59,566.98 now standing at the debit of our Profit and Loss account has been lost, or, at any rate, is no longer represented by available assets, and until this item has been removed from our balance sheet, the Company will not be in a position to distribute dividends to shareholders. The effect of the reduction in capital, as proposed, will be to remove the debit balance of Profit and Loss account from the one side of the account, while on the other side the capital will stand at 15,000 fully paid up shares at \$6—equal to \$90,000.

It is hardly necessary for me to point out that the reduction in capital will not in any way adversely effect the market value of the shares, in fact it should have entirely the contrary effect, for reasons I have already outlined. If, as I hope, you pass and subsequently confirm the resolution, we shall then be in a position to distribute any dividends earned by the Japanese Company, whereas as if you do not, it means that shareholders will possibly have to wait some years for a dividend. Before putting this resolution to the meeting, I will be pleased to answer any questions.

There were no questions, and the Chairman said:—I beg to propose that "It is resolved that the Capital of the Company be reduced from \$150,000 to \$90,000 by reducing the par value of the shares from \$10 to \$6 each."

Mr. Bonnar—I beg to second that.
The Chairman—For. Against. Carried. That is all the business, gentlemen. An extraordinary meeting to confirm the said resolution will be held on the 4th of December next. I thank you for your attendance.

TELEGRAMS.

THE VIENNA SENSATION.

C.P.R. MANAGER OUT ON BAIL.

Reuter's
[Service to the "Telegraph."]
London, Received Nov. 18.
Reuter's correspondent at Vienna reports that Mr. Altman, local manager of the C.P.R. Company, who was arrested with other of the Company's employees, on charges of facilitating the emigration of thousands of recruits before they had undergone full military service, has been released on bail amounting to \$6,000.

BOUND OVER.

Sotto Case that Should Not have Come before the Court.

Agueda Esteban de Vibora, a married woman, of 45, Haiphong Road, Kowloon, was summoned by Vicente Sotto to appear before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Police Court, this morning, for unlawfully assaulting him by throwing a stone at him on November 11. There was a cross-summons against Vicente Sotto for behaviour calculated to cause a breach of the peace on the same date.

Vicente Sotto personally prosecuted, and Mr. O. F. Mason, of Mr. F. X. D'Almada's, appeared for the woman.

Mr. Mason said his client insisted on going on, on the cross summons.

His Worship ordered both defendants to stand in front of the dock.

Complainant gave evidence regarding the alleged assault and denied that he made indecent signs to the woman.

The defendant said the complainant made the signs complained of.

Two women supported the defendant's statement.

His Worship said the case should never have come before the Court, and in binding them both over in the sum of \$100 each to be of good behaviour for six months, he did not wish anything to be reflected on either side.

AMERICAN SAILOR'S DEATH.

Met with Accident Whilst Shooting.

Stanley Reeves Taylor, a seaman on the Wilmington, was shot dead at Foochow through a gunshot wound in the thigh, accidentally inflicted.

It appears that whilst the Wilmington was at Foochow, the deceased, who was aged 19 years, went out on a shooting trip with a comrade. The comrade accidentally discharged his shotgun and inflicted the wound in the thigh from which the youth died.

The comrade rendered first aid and did all he could for his unfortunate companion, but he died from shock and hemorrhage.

The body was brought to Hongkong on board the Wilmington, and, we are informed, was placed in a receiving vault, and will be conveyed to America later. The deceased was a native of Texas.

To Consignees.

Consignees of cargo by the s.s. Yorok are reminded that goods undelivered after to-morrow will be subject to rent.

Gun Practice.

Sub-Calibre practice will be carried out as under:—25th inst.—Pakehawan, in a N.E. to N. direction, from 6.15 p.m. to midnight.

Inquest on Policeman.

The inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the death of the late police constable Michael Watters, has been fixed for Monday next, the 24th.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

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LOCAL.

Hongkong Volunteer orders are given elsewhere in this issue.

The Tingsang has become a total loss in Haitian Straits where she went ashore the other day.

An interesting article dealing with the question of a wireless station for Hongkong appears to-day.

A meeting of the Hongkong and South China Steam Fisheries Co. Ltd. was held to-day and an extraordinary meeting was held immediately after.

Stolen Suit.

Mr. Browne, government analyst, reports that a suit valued \$36 has been stolen from his house. A boy who absconded in August is suspected.

Six Months for Assault.

At the Police Court this morning, a man named Mak Mak was sent to gaol for causing "grievous bodily harm to his employer by hitting him with a chopper whilst he was smoking opium. The trouble was alleged to be over some back-pay, which the defendant said was due to him.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Harmston's Circus—9.15 p.m.
Victoria Theatre, 9.15 p.m.
Bijou Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

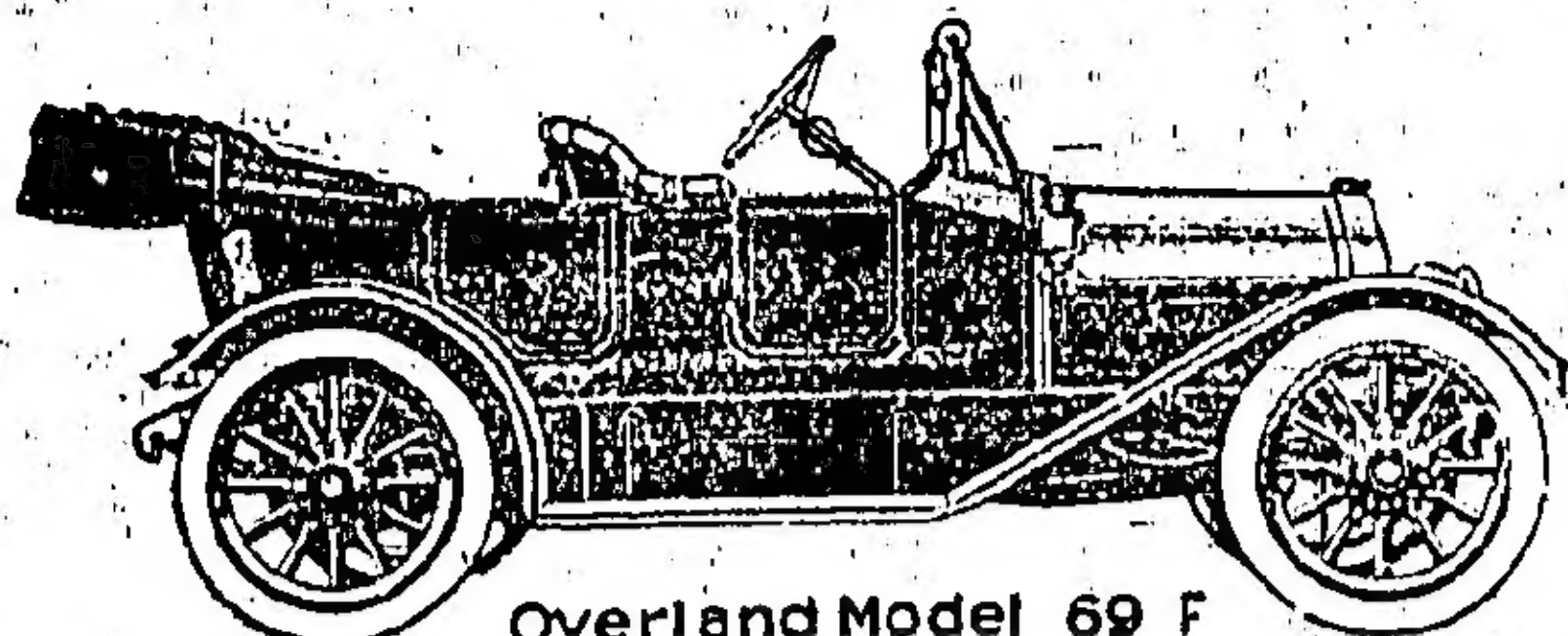
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Auction of Cut Glass at Sales Rooms by Mr. G. P. Lammert, 11 a.m.

Friday, November 21.

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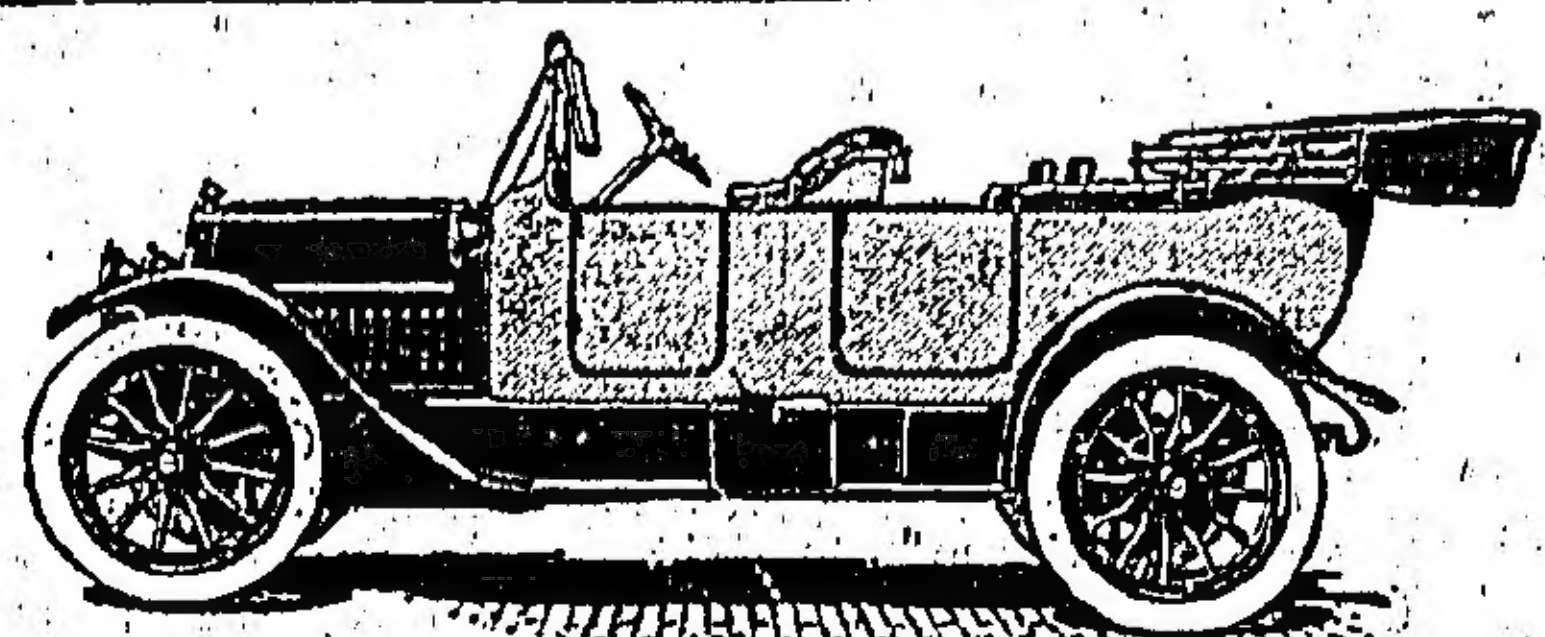
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South China Morning Post.

The Government's Proposals.
Mr Asquith knows, Mr Redmond knows and all thinking men perceive that the Home Rule Bill is so dead that not all Mr Redmond's noisy fastness nor the babel of rumour, threats, promises, assumptions and surmises of the Government will awaken it more. The proposals seem to be a foolish attempt to "straddle the fence," and if the forecast of The Times be correct, Mr Asquith and his Government, in their allegiance to the barter made with the Nationalists for their support of the Liberal measures which were passed during the last sitting of Parliament, measures which must certainly have resulted in their defeat had it not been for the deeply bought support of Mr John Redmond and the Nationalists, occupy an ignominious position, and the most careful and conscientious statesmanship is needed, even if the misadventure measure be seriously proposed, if any possibility of settlement along the line of a divided Ireland is to be engendered.

Daily Press.

The Chinese Political Crisis.
There is this much to be said for the composition of the Conference which the President is convening: it should prove a more efficient and practical body than either of the Houses of Parliament as they are at present constituted. It is to be representative of every Province, and the delegates—seventy-one in number—must be men who have served, not less than eight years in public office, and are over the age of 35 years. The obvious purpose of these conditions is to prevent the selection by any Province of the jallow and inexperienced youths who were pitchforked into administrative posts when the old order was changed two years ago. It does not necessarily mean the total exclusion of men who have been members of the Kuomintang. There are numbers of them fully qualified by experience and age to take seats on this Council, but as the selection of delegates appears to rest with the Tutuhs of Provinces, no man who is known to sympathise with the Party organisation which the President has expressed is likely to stand a chance of being chosen to serve as a delegate. It would not surprise many if it were found a few months hence that this National Administrative Council long remained in Peking to function as the National Parliament.

China Mail.

The Canton-Shiu Chow Railway.
Side references seem to indicate that there are some of the shareholders, who have lost heart, and who are spreading rumours whose object is to prevent others from paying up the sums which they have promised. What good end such persons hope to serve is not very easily seen. Perhaps they think that already they have spent as much as they care to advance, because they fear that there will be no return, and so hesitate to invest further in a concern when they see no hopes of such return. Such persons are threatened and others are warned not to heed these "untruthful rumours." It would seem that there is a tightness of money in regard to the undertaking, but, at the same time, there is every probability that the necessary funds will be advanced, so that Shiu Chow city will soon be reached, whereupon probably there will be a rest for a time, as traffic beyond this city cannot be great, till the line is looped up with Changsha and Hankow. This, however, is not likely to be brought about for some time—perhaps not for some years.

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GENERAL NEWS.

A Rule Against A Judge.

The Divisional Court made absolute a rule nisi calling on Judge Mallor, of the Manchester County Court, to show cause why he should not hear an action. His Honour had refused to try the action on the ground that his court was already clogged with local cases and that the case in question ought to have been remitted to Liverpool. Their Lordships decided that the Judge must personally pay the costs.

Canadian Journalistic Enterprise.

Toronto, Oct. 8.—The revolution in Montreal journalism which has been going on for some months has been completed with the organization of the *Daily Mail*. This new one cent morning journal is under the management of Mr. B. A. MacNab, the former managing editor of the *Montreal Star*, and Mr. M. T. Nichols, the former editor of the *Winnipeg Telegram*. In the first issue the *Mail* makes a profession of independence, and adds:—The *Mail* stands firmly and unalterably for the British connection in all the terms that it implies. It believes that Canada's destiny lies in its development as a nation within the British Empire, and will promote all measures which conduce to the realization of that project.

Straits Police Chief.

Capt. A. B. Chancellor has been confirmed in the appointment of Inspector General of Police, Straits Settlements, from the date of the retirement of Mr. W. A. Ousdoun. Mr. G. H. May, Inspector of constabulary, Trinidad, since 1905, is proceeding to Singapore as chief police officer. Mr. George Herbert May, according to the Colonial List, was born in 1873 and entered the registrar's office, British Guiana, in 1880. Four years later he entered the police department, and later the British Guiana militia, obtaining certificates for drill and musketry from Chelsea, London and Hythe. In 1898 he went as adjutant and musketry instructor to Fiji, and later was A. D. C. to Sir Henry M. Jackson. He went to Trinidad in 1905.

Intoxicated Turtles.

Frederic Ambrosetti, a white-haired old man, was arrested at the Zoo in Paris recently while in the act of administering intoxicating drink to the giant turtles. For some days the keepers in the gardens had observed with amazement that some of these animals, ordinarily so slow of movement, had suddenly become remarkably lively. Their crawl had given place to a backward run, while their heads and necks emerged from beneath their great shells and wagged to and fro like a dog's tail. Ambrosetti had just "doped" one of the turtles and was about to "dope" another when he was seized by an attendant. The man, who had a small syringe in his hand, stated that he had administered the injection of spirit in order to aim them for a future race with a hare. Ambrosetti, who is believed to be of unsound mind, who conveyed to a police asylum.

Has Parliamentary Oratory Declined?

The business method has always been in some degree characteristic of English oratory. Walpole dominated Parliament by his close-on-thirty years; and Sir Thomas Buxton, writing as early as 1810, says, "The House loves good sense and joking and nothing else, and the object of its utter aversion is that species of eloquence which may be called 'Philippian'." Since that time, says the *Spectator*, every tendency of political life has urged Parliamentary oratory in the same direction. The days are past when members could find a scholar's pleasure in neatly planned syllogism or well-balanced antithesis. Perhaps we shall never again see the time when solid majorities shall wear round under the influence of a Fox or a Pitt, when it shall be said of a private member, as it was of Wilberforce, that a single speech of his turned forty votes, or when the eloquence of a Macaulay shall, in a brief hour, change imminent defeat into patent victory.

FATHER VAUGHAN ON BOXING.

Critics who would kick When a Man's Back was Turned.

Addressing the Boys' Catholic College at Preston recently, Father Bernard Vaughan said that he had received an avalanche of letters abusing his advocacy of boxing for boys, and declaring that he ought to turn out boys, not beasts. He wanted by boxing to turn the best out of the boy. When he was a small, conceited lad he thought that he could give a good account of himself with the gloves, but he got an awful thrashing, being put in his right place. (Laughter.) However, it made him train till he could hold his own against his own weight and size, and every lad who learned boxing had a mark, not merely on his nose (laughter) but on his character. He was self-confident, quiet, and modest. The boy who learned boxing would fight straight and hit between the eyes, whereas the people who wrote to him waited till a man's back was turned and kicked him behind. There was too much of this kicking going on in England to-day. They wanted more simple, straight hitting between the eyes and not below the belt, and he urged his hearers to go in for boxing. They could not let anything slip out of the boy's life which was going to build him up into a fine English gentleman.

ENGLISH v. GERMAN BEER.

In the opinion of Mr. H. W. Bainbridge, for many years Captain of the Warwickshire cricket team, the English middle classes after favouring light German beers, have rediscovered the value of English beers. The managers of many London restaurants are not in agreement on the matter, however.

The manager of the Cafe Monico declares that the sale of German lager beer is very great, and that it is being increasingly sought after by all customers, whether British or foreign, particularly in hot weather. A similar story is told by the manager of the Criterion Restaurant, while the manager of the Mulhorn Restaurant finds that though there is a great demand for lager beer in hot weather, yet in his experience during the summer months there is a strong tendency to discard beer altogether in favour of hook cup, claret cup, and other iced drinks.

At the Cafe Royal the manager said that there was a good deal of lager beer sold, but the sale was confined mainly to foreign patrons, and although Englishmen occasionally patronised the drink, he found that they generally preferred their own bottled Beas and Guinness. The best-known British brewing firms state that sales for the past year have been the highest on record, and that additional profit has helped to counterbalance the extra cost of materials.

The invention and introduction of "real" ale is attributed to the Germans, although the word itself is said to be of Danish origin. An assize of ale and bread was at one time held at Camberwell, where it is said that such "headie ale and beer" were sold that the people stood peculiarly open to imposition. "They will drink," says Hollingshead, "till they be red as cocks, and little wiser than their combs."

Ordered to Hongkong.

Captain E. B. Ward, Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry, who recently completed a tour of duty with the 3rd Reserve battalion of his regiment, has been ordered to embark for Hongkong on 29th November to join the 2nd battalion.

Winter Dress.

The troops in garrison were ordered to take their winter dress into wear on Saturday. Commanding officers are, however, to use their discretion in directing helmets to be worn on all occasions involving long exposure to the sun.

WHAT YUAN MOST DESIRES.

Statement by Dr. Ariga.

Dr. Nagao Ariga, the Japanese Constitutional Adviser to the Chinese Government, who has arrived in Japan, told the *Tokio Asahi* that President Yuan would never have taken such a course against his political opponents as the dissolution of the Kuomintang without receiving full evidence of complicity in some conspiracy. When Dr. Ariga left Peking the question of the Constitution was being most hotly discussed, but there was nothing to indicate actual unrest and everything on the surface at least seemed to be moving quietly. Dr. Ariga continued:

"How will the Constitution, which is to constitute the foundation of the Republic of China, be settled in the end? My business in connection with this matter is to assist the drafting from the technical standpoint so that the Republic may have as good a Constitution as possible. The draft outline consisting of twelve clauses, was drawn up by a committee of five, and then approved by sixty members of Parliament. When the draft was made public, I discussed it at some length, as you know, purely from the technical standpoint, for it is my duty as Legal Adviser to give advice and suggestions when the draft becomes a subject of keen controversy among the Chinese. The question is whether Parliament will overcome the President or not. In case Parliament wins the fight, it will possess very great powers and the President will, on the other hand, prove powerless."

"Neither in Britain nor in France has Parliament so much power as the Parliament of China wants to secure. President Yuan only desires a perfect Constitution for China, so that the Chinese may avoid more disturbances and enjoy a good administration in the future. He knows how foolish it would be for him to follow the course adopted by Napoleon III in 1851 and has shown that he has no ambition to become Emperor or Dictator. He fully realizes that if he becomes Emperor, the result will be the collapse of his regime at some future date. He regards his election as first President of the Republic as the highest honour ever bestowed upon him, as he told the local Government. What he cares for most is, I believe, to secure the peaceful enactment of a Constitution in this session of Parliament in such a form as to enable the executive, legislative and judicial organs to carry on their respective duties harmoniously."

LEIPZIG LION HUNT.

Eight lions and a tiger from Barnum's circus escaped on October 12 from their cages at Leipzig from their cage, some bars of which had been broken by collision with an electric tramcar.

Some 60 police constables, armed with revolvers and supported by the fire brigade, set off in pursuit. The tiger was very soon secured, but the pursuit of the lions lasted from midnight till about 4 o'clock in the morning, by which time six of them had been shot dead, despite the protests of their trainer, and the other two had been recaptured.

Three of the lions took refuge in a hotel. One seems to have been caught downstairs. The other two ran upstairs. One was shut into a lavatory, and secured. The other, after nearly frightening to death a visitor who found him outside his bedroom door, jumped out of a window into the street, where he badly mangled some horses before he was shot. Another was shot in a garden, and the other four in the street. People in the street fled into houses or tramcars.

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SURGEON IN THE JUNGLE

Operation on Himself by Candle-light.

Dr. Hamilton Rice, the American surgeon and traveller, has just arrived in London after twenty-one months' exploration in South-East Colombia and North-West Brazil, where he traversed about a hundred thousand square miles of almost unknown territory.

During his travels, Dr. Rice told Reuters' representative, he was "attacked" with poisonous ulcers and compelled to operate by candlelight, by injecting cocaine and cutting his leg to the bone. (The operation took two hours, and although this occurred nine months ago, the wounds are still unhealed. "All of us," continued the explorer, "were practically starving, and we were reduced to one meal of monkey per day. Continuous thunderstorms made our retreat a perfect nightmare. Presently the rain stopped, and myriads of ants, bees, and mosquitoes came out and further tortured us."

In one region "D. Rice, found traces of a race of very light coloured Indians, by no means white, but much paler than the ordinary Amazon tribes. These are known as Andoque. Their villages are shunned by their neighbours."

Fatal Accidents to Students.

The death occurred recently from accidents of two well-known students of Trinity College, Dublin. Mr. Edward R. M. Wright died as the result of a wound in the thorax inflicted by a revolver which went off when he was cleaning it; and Mr. Charles

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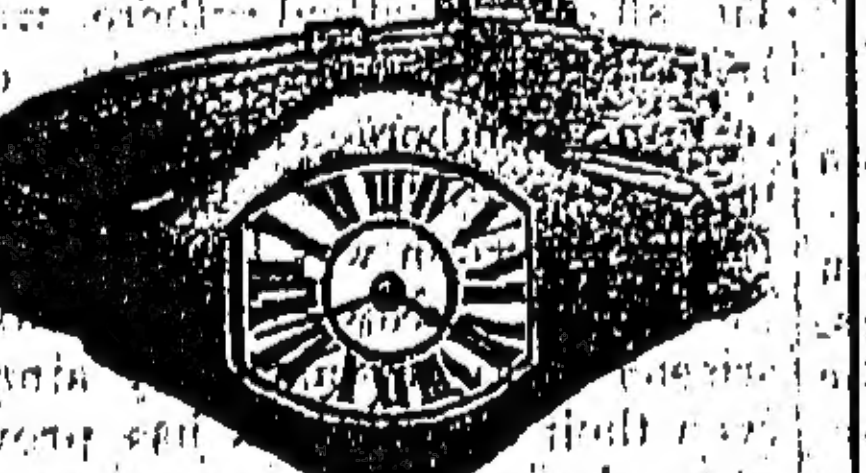
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THE RAILWAY COMMISSION.

Additional details regarding the Royal Commission to enquire into the relationships of British railways and the State are given in the Home papers. Ever since the strike of 1907 those members of the Government who are interested in labour problems have been much concerned with the railway situation. The Conciliation Boards established in that year to decide disputes regarding hours and wages proved a complete failure. Disaffection still grew and culminated, in the summer of 1911, in a strike so serious that when it was decided, the Government instituted special enquiries into all the circumstances attending the dispute. According to the usually well-informed *Daily Telegraph* special attention was then directed to the following points:

- (1) The long hours worked by the men of all grades, especially the signallers and the engine-drivers, and the relatively large number of accidents due directly to over-work.
- (2) The comparatively low wages paid to the men, even with all allowances made for pension schemes, etc.
- (3) The increased cost of working the lines consequent upon the general rise in prices during the last ten or fifteen years, and the desire of the companies to meet the demands of the travelling public for greater comfort, frequent and rapid services, excursion and week-end tickets.
- (4) The inadvisability of increasing fares, and the practical impossibility of increasing freight charges, thus rendering it extremely difficult for the companies to recoup themselves for their additional expenditure.

Whether the Royal Commission now appointed is the outcome of that inquiry would be hard to say. What is beyond all doubt is that the announcement of its appointment came as a surprise to the railway people at Home who had no inkling of what was forthcoming. It has been suggested, indeed that the whole business is designed to divert attention from the Home Rule controversy, but that may be doubted. If that were the purpose of the announcement, Mr. Sydney Barton would hardly have gone the length of stating that the scope of the Commission is wide enough to include the purchase of the railway by the State. This, indeed, appears to be the chief work of the Commission. It is stated, on fairly good authority, that the Government is satisfied that only by means of nationalisation can railway strikes be finally eliminated. If that is the case, the Government is given over to the rank and file of Socialism, for nationalisation of railways has always been a foremost plank in the Socialist programme. It seems to us that the Commission would have effected a vastly more useful purpose if it had addressed itself to the question of safe travelling and of conditions of employment. These are matters in which—especially in view of recent accidents—the public is deeply interested and intimately concerned, and their exclusion from the scope of the Commission's work is another serious error which must be laid to the charge of the present Government.

Wireless on Railways.

Touching the matter of railway accidents, a paragraph elsewhere in this issue states that the Midland Railway has placed an order for wireless signalling to be used on its railways. This is an effort to reduce the possibility of a train passing a danger signal. Something of the same system is in operation on German Railways, but that to be tried on the Midland Railway is stated to be an improvement on the other. It is claimed, indeed, that it makes it impossible for a driver to pass a danger signal, and if that is proved to be the case, it is to be hoped that it will be generally adopted. The speeding up on railways of late years, in response to the hurry of the age, has made it imperative that every plan which is likely to minimise danger to the travelling public, should be given an extended trial.

Seeking a Settlement.

Apparently the Government is now convinced that there are flaws in its Home Rule scheme, inasmuch as the *Times* outlines some new proposals which the Liberals are said to have in mind for dealing with the Ulster question. The chief point of the forecast is that it suggests a possible exclusion of Ulster from the scheme for a definite number of years. How far this will prove acceptable to the Unionists it is hard to say at the moment; but what is of greater importance is how the proposal will be welcomed by the Nationalists. Less than a fortnight ago Mr. Devlin declared, on behalf of the Nationalists, that "we would refuse Home Rule to-morrow if Ulster, or any portion of it, were cut off from the rest of Ireland." In view of that assertion there should be some interesting developments if the Government really intends putting forward the plans ascribed to it by the usually well-informed *Times*.

Larkin's Right Theatre.

Larkin has struck the right theatre when he appeared before a Manchester audience. All over Lancashire one finds socialist clubs wherein all manner of politicians and all parties, except, of course their own party, are dissected and condemned. In 1906 after the Conservative rout, these clubs asserted that the future was hopeful for the working man. The question of the big loaf and the little loaf had been settled, and a new era for the working man was opening up. A very short time after that the "great" Ben Tillett, speaking at Eccles, commenced to flail the Liberal Government and point out its uselessness, even its wickedness, as far as the working man was concerned.

What do They Want?

The dock labourers at Salford endorsed all that Tillett and Tom Mann said during the railway and docks strikes and put the Liberals and the Conservatives in the one hat as far as purpose was concerned. According to them both of the parties were the enemy of the working man. The Labour party did not come out of the affair unscathed—there was heaped upon the heads of certain members calumny and invective, and at the time, Philip Snowden was being called "a dodger." Now the question arises—and quite naturally since even their own outlook has proved to be a fruitless one, or at least an unsatisfactory one despite the great change they looked forward to—what do these discontented ones really want? Until they are satisfied themselves as to what they do want, they cannot so well seek redress for wrongs which, by their whimsicality, they lead people to believe exist only in imagination.

Junk Capsize.

The master of a licensed fishing junk No. 147 H.Y., has reported to the police that at about 9 p.m. on the 13th inst., he encountered bad weather whilst sailing off Waglan, and his junk was capsized. Himself and his two folk managed to cling to the upturned boat until they were rescued by the crew of a passing junk and taken to Yau-mai. The lost junk is valued at \$60, and the personal effects are valued at a similar amount.

DAY BY DAY.

"EDUCATION CANNOT MAKE CAPACITY, BUT IT CONTROLS THE CONDITIONS BY WHICH THE LEAST OR THE MOST CAN BE MADE OF IT."

The Mails.
Siberian Mail.—Left per a.s. Australasia 5 p.m. yesterday.
American and Canadian Mails.—Left per a.s. Tamba Maru at noon to-day.
French Mail.—Left per a.s. Ernest Simons at 2 p.m. to-day.
Siberian Mail.—Due per a.s. Chenan to-morrow.

Market Gambling.
Eight gamblers from Yau-mai market, were fined \$5 each by Mr. Wood, at the Police Court, this morning.

Climbed a Verandah.
A man who climbed on to a verandah and stole a jacket at Yau-mai, was sent to goal for seven days, and ordered four hours stocks.

Contractor Fined.
A Yau-mai Contractor who caused an obstruction in the side channel in Saigon Street, was fined \$15, at the Police Court, this morning.

Alice Memorial Hospital.
The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:—T.H.C. \$25.

Fish on Footpath.
A number of Chinese, thought fit to hang salt fish to dry over the footpath at West Point. At the Police Court, this morning, Mr. Hazeland, imposed a fine of \$10 in each case.

Theft of Timber.
Seven days hard labour and four hours stocks was the sentence imposed on a man at the Police Court, this morning, for stealing timber from a contractor in Yau-mai.

Faulty Brakes.
A batch of Chinese was brought before Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, for not having effected brakes on their truck. The offenders were cautioned and fined \$2 in each case.

The Court Cards.
The "Court Cards" gave their last performance at the Theatre Royal last night before a large and appreciative house. They left to-day by the a.s. Tamba Maru and will be welcomed back in January.

Journalistic Change.
Mr F. M. Price has returned to Kuala Lumpur from Calcutta, where he has been working on the *Statesman*. He rejoins the staff of the *Malay Mail* as Joint Editor with Mr A. Bellamy Brown, formerly of Hongkong.

Leaving for Home.
Mr E. T. O. Warner, British Consul at Foochow, has been granted home leave and will leave for Europe at the end of December. Mr F. E. Wilkinson has been appointed officiating Consul at Foochow.

Seamen in Trouble.
At the Police Court, this morning, two seamen named Larry and Redpath, were prosecuted by Inspector McHardy, before Mr. Hazeland, for being drunk and disorderly in Wanchai. They were fined \$5 each.

No Hoarding.
For having no hoarding round a place where property repairs were being effected, a contractor from Yau-mai was fined \$10 at the Police Court, this morning, and also fined \$5 for causing an obstruction.

Back from Home.
The *Atsuta Maru* arrived from Home to-day. Among the passengers were Commander and Mrs. Beckwith and child, Mr A. B. Sutherland, Mr and Mrs G. K. Haxton, Miss Haxton, Mrs C. H. Lammert, Mr E. O. Bird, Mr O. Hamilton, Mr and Mrs R. A. Harding, Mrs and Miss Owen Hughes, Mr J. W. Lee Jones, and Mr E. A. Ram.

Practice Dance.
There was a large attendance at the second practice dance held last evening, at the City Hall, in connection with the forthcoming St. Andrew's Ball. Music was supplied by the D.O.L.I. orchestra, and besides the usual five dances there was an extra waltz and a two step. His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, was among those present.

HONGKONG AND WIRELESS.

Pointed Comments by a Shipping Journal.

Shipping and Engineering (Shanghai) devotes a leading article to the delay in the provision of a wireless station for Hongkong. "In spite of the spread of the use of wireless telegraphy on shipping visiting the ports of China and its establishment at such points as Formosa, Tsingtau, Japan and, in the near future, Woosung," says the article, "the premier shipping port of the Far East, Hongkong, still dabbles with the question of the erection of a commercial station and attempts to satisfy its official conscience with proposals to call for tenders and other evasive measures that have kept the erection of the station in abeyance for the past two years."

After quoting the correspondence between the Chamber of Commerce and the Government on the matter, the journal proceeds:—"The uses of radio-telegraphy in cases of emergency have been well demonstrated in recent casualties at sea, such as the *Titanic* and more recently, the *Volturno* disasters, but its utility in the ordinary routine work of a modern steamer, both in keeping her in touch with her agents and in avoiding foul weather, is apt to be overlooked. But whereas in the first case requirements for the safety of life at sea may be met by the installation of wireless telegraphy on other vessels, the utility of the second case depends entirely on the establishment of stations on shore and it is here that Hongkong lags woefully behind."

So much has been said and written on what may be styled the emergency uses of wireless in avoiding strandings by means of what has been called the "wireless compass" or in bringing aid to vessels in distress, that the shipping public has been apt to overlook the more commonplace utility of the invention in the every-day running of steamers that promises to make wireless telegraphy an essential part of every vessel's equipment where the saving of time and money is involved. The exigencies of modern commerce have made it imperative that even the parsimoniously operated tramp should nevertheless be equipped with expensive compasses and other navigational facilities in other that her head might be kept pointed straight toward her destination and the waste of coal incurred by her straying waywardly across the ocean at the dictation of a faulty compass avoided. Similarly, and more particularly on the coast of China, it is coming to be recognised that an apparatus which, by maintaining constant communication with the shore, enables a vessel to determine precisely the location of a centre of atmospheric disturbance without being compelled to anchor in the nearest typhoon shelter, blindly ignorant of the whereabouts of the typhoon or, by standing on too confidently, waste coal and possibly incur damage through running into it, will more than repay its cost and operation in the first typhoon season through which the vessel passes. It would be interesting, could such statistics be obtained, to learn how many hours of valuable time and how many tons of coal have been wasted by the shipping of the China coast during the past two or three typhoon seasons through having to anchor or make a lengthy detour owing to the approach of a typhoon which has not after all crossed their intended track, but which, nevertheless, they dared not run the risk of encountering since, once out of touch with the nearest meteorological signal station, they might have run into dangerous proximity of the storm centre ere their barometers gave adequate warning of the locality of the disturbance. Fitted with wireless telegraphy, such vessels would have been enabled to stand undeviatingly on their course, confident that the storm warning from the shore or from other vessels in the vicinity would apprise them of the altered direction of the typhoon in sufficient time to avoid the zone of danger.

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THE TINGSANG.

A Total Loss in Haitan Straits.

The Indo China Steam Navigation Company's steamer *Tingsang*, which recently went ashore in Haitan Straits, striking an uncharted rock, has become a total loss, having completely disappeared. It will be remembered that efforts were made to refloat the vessel by the same Company's steamer *Wuhu* and the tug *David Gillies*, but the work was not completed when the strong monsoon of last week set in, with the result that operations had to be suspended. The stranded steamer was badly served by the big seas, and eventually she foundered. When she went ashore, the *Tingsang* had on board a general cargo, consisting mostly of wood and sugar, of about 1,400 tons, and of this only about 100 tons were saved.

The *Tingsang*, of which Captain Bramwell was skipper, was a steel screw steamer of 1,650 tons, and was built in 1900 by Messrs Craig, Taylor and Company, at St. Eekon. Her port of registry was Glasgow, she was classed 100 A1 at Lloyd's, and her dimensions were:—Length, 205 feet; breadth, 38; depth 17 feet.

THE KASHIMA MARU.

Inspection of New N.Y.K. Liner.

The new Japanese steamer *Kashima Maru*, built in Japan for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, arrived in the harbour yesterday on her maiden trip from Japan to London. She is a sister ship to the *Katori Maru*, which passed through about three weeks ago, and is replacing the *Aki Maru*, on the service between Japan and America. At the invitation of the local office of the N.Y.K., a number of local residents inspected the *Kashima Maru* to-day.

A special feature of the *Kashima Maru* is the style of decoration. While that on the *Katori Maru* is entirely the product of Japanese artists, that on the *Kashima Maru* is purely European, the whole scheme being arranged by the famous London decorators, Messrs. Waring and Gillow. The decorations are simple but effective, and the colour scheme obtaining throughout the ship was the subject of much admiration.

The *Kashima Maru* is a twin screw steamer, and in this respect differs from her sister vessel, which is of triple screw. Her dimensions are the same, viz., length, 510 ft., beam 61 ft., depth 38 ft. 6 in., gross tonnage 10,550; displacement 19,200 tons; with a speed of 17 knots. She has accommodation for 112 first-class passengers, 50 second-class and 186 steerage passengers. A tour round the vessel reveals the fact that nothing had been left undone which would add to the comfort of passengers, both first and second class.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEERS.

Corps Orders issued by Lieut. Col. A. Chapman, V.D., state:—
Field Firing.—Machine Gun Company and Scouts, Parade at Volunteer Headquarters on Sunday 23rd inst. at 10 a.m. for field firing. Dress:—Khaki Jacket, Shorts, puttees and helmet without badge, (rifles to be carried), belts and sidearms.

Joined:—The undermentioned members having joined the Corps are allotted Corps Nos. and posted as follows:—Gr. L. Corner Howitzer Section; Sapper A. Hardman Engineer Company; Pte. B. S. Setna Light Section M. G. Co.; Pte. W. A. Morgan Centre Section M. G. Co.; Pte. L. O. Collins Centre Section M. G. Co.; Resigned:—Sapper S. J. Clarke, Pte. J. J. Judah, and Gr. B. S. Stanford are permitted to resign.

Batch of Gamblers.

Fourteen gamblers brought before Mr. Wood, at the Police Court, this morning, by Inspector McHardy, from 28, Wanchai Road, were fined \$3 each.

Bitten by dog.
A Chinese residing at 34, Centre Street, has been removed to the hospital suffering from injuries sustained to his leg, when bitten by a dog here.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

The Harbour Murder Trial.

The November Criminal Sessions opened at the Supreme Court this morning before the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees Davies, in the First Court and the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Gompertz, in the Second Court. The calendar contains charges of murder, throwing corrosive fluid, larceny by clerk or servant, false pretences, unlawful possession of property stolen abroad.

FIRST COURT.
Before the Chief Justice, Ip Ping Lam and Ip Kam Tann were charged with the murder of a boatman in the harbour on October 24, and pleaded not guilty. They were defended by Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.

The following jury were sworn to try the case:—Messrs. G. J. Sequeira, H. W. B. Kennett, R. V. Harris, O. G. H. Jass, J. W. Graham, E. A. E. Long and L. Lopes.

The Attorney General, the Hon. Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill, K.C., in opening the case for the prosecution, said there were murders of one kind and murders of another, and some, though the crime itself was a terrible one, were no doubt far more serious than others. The facts of the case, so far as he would endeavour to put before them in evidence, were really very simple. A B.L. steamer, the *Jelunga*, was being unloaded in the harbour and around her were numerous junks containing cargo. According to the story for the prosecution there were three junks lying side by side and the affair took place amongst the boatmen on board these junks, and the deceased man was a member of the crew of the middle junk. The evidence for the prosecution consisted of the statements of the master of the middle junk and another of the boatmen of the middle junk. They would say that a dispute arose between the crews of the outside junk and the middle junk because the former insisted on carrying cargo over the middle junk instead of waiting till one junk had loaded and cleared away, which was the usual thing. The master of the middle junk remonstrated with the master of the outside junk and they came to blows, with the result that the former was thrown into the water. He swam away a short distance and hung on to a rope, and from this position he was able to see what took place. The first defendant went up to the deceased, who was crying out for aid, hit him a violent blow on the head with a stick and knocked him overboard. While the deceased man was struggling in the water the second accused leant over with a bar of wood or iron and struck him a very violent blow on the head as he was struggling in the water. The unfortunate boatman was picked up in a dying condition by men from another junk, and died at the Hospital the same day. He had two large jagged wounds on the right side of the head and the skull was fractured from ear to ear. The master of the middle junk picked up some sticks and iron bar which, he said, were the weapons actually used at the time. It might be concluded the Attorney General, that there was a general melee and that in the fight the deceased man was injured or he may have been partially injured by falling overboard and partially injured by these other men.

Dr. Bell, Superintendent at the Government Civil Hospital, said the cause of death was fracture of the skull. The skin was broken down to the bone on the jagged wounds.

Cross-examined. Some heavy blunt-edged weapon must have been used to inflict the injuries. An iron bar might have been used.

The case was proceeding when we went to press.

West Point Gamblers.

Sergeant Adlington brought eleven men before Mr. Hazeland, at the Police Court, this morning, for gambling. The first man was fined \$75, or in default two months, and the remainder were fined \$3 each, or in default seven days.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

Hongkong and South China
Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.

The third meeting of shareholders of the above Company was held at the offices Messrs Bradley and Co., Ltd., at noon to-day. Mr J. A. Plummer presided, and there were also present Messrs J. W. O. Bonnar and Lo Shui-hoi (Consulting Committee), F. Bevington (Secretary), J. W. Bolles, A. R. Lowe, J. F. Miller, M. S. Sassoon, J. M. S. Rosario, J. Rooha, F. Joannilho, W. Chai-wan, Han Lau-nam, Tam King-yung, Kwan Yam-ting, Fung Sun and Lam Lee-cheong, shareholders.

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen.—The report and statement of accounts for the past year having been in your hands for some time, I will, subject to your approval, follow the usual course and take same as read, but in order to comply with the ordinance I will read the auditors' report which is as follows:—"We have audited the above Balance Sheet with the books, vouchers and accounts of the Company and have found same in accordance therewith. In our opinion, the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the Company's affairs as at 30th. June, 1913 according to the best of our information, the explanations given to us, and as shown by the books of the Company. We have obtained all the information and explanations we have required." As the printed report now before you is so full I think there is but little which I can usefully add to amplify same. You are aware the Hoifang, or Kaiho Maru, as she is now called, was ordered from Shanghai to Nagasaki immediately after the extraordinary meeting of the 29th. October last year, and our Agents at the latter port were instructed to set the necessary machinery in motion to form a Kabashiki Kwaisha (or subsidiary Japanese Company) to work the vessel in Japanese waters. It was not before the beginning of this year, however, that all the formalities could be complied with, and the necessary trawling permit obtained from the Government in Tokyo.

Of the period of 12 months covered by the accounts now before you, the Hoifang was laid up in Shanghai for a little over four months, and after her arrival at Nagasaki, something like two months elapsed before she could be put to work; thus the financial year of the Japanese Company ending at 31st May, we have only a little over four months actual working to review. Roughly speaking, the result of the first six months during which the trawler was laid up, was a loss of about \$9,500, but during the 4 months working, the Japanese Company realized a profit of Yen 1,930 22, so that the net result of the year's working would be a loss of something like \$7,500, less one month's profits from the Japanese Company still to be accounted for. It will be noticed, however, that the Company made a book profit of some \$7,391.31 on the sale of the trawler to the Japanese Company and consequently if we do not take the amount written off investments into account, our debit balance at Profit and Loss account is only increased by some \$1,434.80.

Turning to our balance sheet, you will notice that at 30th. June the call on 1,815 shares had not been paid, but since that date overdue calls on further 1,020 shares have been accepted, leaving 795 shares on which the call has still to be met. These shares, which are mostly registered in Chinese names and owners, cannot be traced at their registered addresses, are liable to forfeiture, and will have the attention of the Committee.

Sundry creditors, which represents amounts advanced by your General Managers, is reduced from \$32,063 42 to \$11,887 37 and against this, we had cash in the bank at 30th. June, \$4,766 98. Calls and interest since received, amounting to \$3,075 84, brings our cash balance to-day up to \$7,842 82, and this, with remittances which we hope shortly to be receiving from Japan, should quickly wipe out

this item from our account and result in a considerable saving in interest.

You will also note that your Consulting Committee's fees and General Managers' remuneration, amounting in all to some \$6,200, have again been waived. I would like to say, however, that this is not because we consider that this remuneration has not been earned, but because the Company is on a dividend paying basis, the shareholders may be inclined to take cognizance of the fact that a good deal of hard work has been done for nothing.

The only other point regarding the accounts which I think I need touch upon, is what now appears as our investment account and the policy of writing down the value of our shares in the Japanese Company. The shares, I should tell you, were originally issued at Yen 50, of which Yen 35 per share, or Yen 105,000, was paid up, but the capital has since June 30 last been reduced to Yen 105,000. All the shares, therefore, are now fully paid up and, with the exception of the necessary qualification shares of the Directors in Japan, are registered in the name of myself as representative of this Company.

If you will compare the last balance sheet with that now before you, you will find that in the former, our chief asset is represented by the value of the trawler and gear, and that is now replaced by shares in gold currency valued at some \$13,000 higher. Apart from the question of exchange, it would appear on the face of it to be equivalent to writing up the value of our assets to this extent, and while admitting that the trawler is worth more in Japan, where her earning power is considerably greater, your Consulting Committee have deemed it prudent to write off a very substantial amount, viz. \$18,808 20, from the value of the shares. Had this Company maintained its direct interest in the trawler, it would no doubt have been considered prudent to write off all, or at any rate a proportion of, the extraordinary expenditure to which we have been put in addition to the ordinary depreciation, and this in fact amounts to what has been done.

I may say that no depreciation was written off in the Japanese account for the half year and that the Kaiho Maru stands in their books at Yen 104,764.60. Therefore, your Committee consider that only a safe and prudent policy has been followed in thus writing down the value of our investment, and we trust you will approve. A further considerable saving can thus, we think, safely be effected in insurance, for although the policy of the Company in the past has been to cover the full book value of the vessel, your Committee now feel justified in advising our friends in Japan to reduce the insurance to Yen 80,000. This, I would say, is a two-fold saving, as not only do we pay premium on a smaller amount, but by taking a portion of the risk ourselves we effect a very big saving in rate.

With regard to future prospects, we sent Mr. Bevington to Nagasaki in August last to enquire closely into the working and general prospects of the Japanese Company, and I am pleased to say that his report is quite of a satisfactory nature. It is, however, better not to be too optimistic, but we believe, given reasonably favourable conditions and basing our calculations on results of previous working of other vessels under practically the same management, the N.G.K.K. should be able to show a fair return of the capital invested. During the summer months, say from May to September, fish are not so plentiful and market prices are as a rule low, so that if the vessel covers expenses, it is about all that can be expected. From October onwards, both catches and prices usually improve, and I trust that this may prove to be our experience.

Before proposing the adoption of the report, I shall be pleased to answer any questions.—Gentlemen, there being no questions, I beg to move that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and confirmed.

Mr. Sassoon—I have much pleasure in seconding.
The Chairman—For. Against. Carried.

Mr. Miller proposed the re-election of Messrs J. W. O. Bonnar and Lo Shui-hoi to the Consulting Committee. Mr. Rooha seconded, and the motion was carried.

On the motion of Mr. Sassoon, seconded by Mr. Rosario, Messrs Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were re-appointed auditors at a remuneration of \$100.

The Chairman—That concludes the business of the general meeting, gentlemen, and while thanking you for your attendance, I only regret that I not able to add the usual remark with regard to dividend warrants.

Extraordinary General Meeting.

An extraordinary general meeting was then held, Mr. Plummer presiding.

The Secretary read the following notice convening the meeting:—

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held on Tuesday the 18th day of November, 1913, at 12.15 o'clock p.m. at 4, Queen's Building, Hongkong, Victoria, when the following Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

"It is resolved that the Capital of the Company be reduced from \$150,000.00 to \$90,000.00 by reducing the par value of the shares from \$10 to \$5 each."

Should the above Resolution be passed by the requisite majority it will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution to a further Extraordinary General Meeting and such Meeting will be held on the 4th day of December, 1913, at the same time and place for the purpose of considering and if thought fit confirming such Resolution as a Special Resolution Accordingly.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen.—The Secretary has just read to you the object for which this extraordinary meeting is called, but before putting the resolution to the meeting I will briefly outline the necessity thereof, and the effect which the passing of such resolution will have on our accounts.

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